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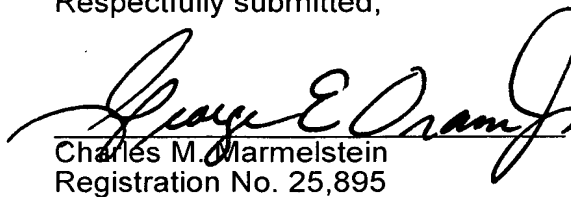
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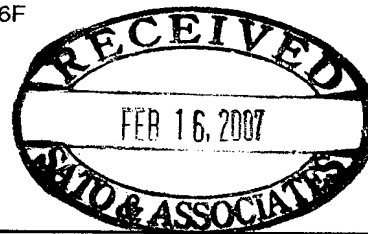
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1. Statement

Novelty (N)

Claims 1-5

YES

Claims

NO

Inventive step (IS)

Claims 1-5

YES

Claims

NO

Industrial applicability (IA)

Claims 1-5

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2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1 to 5

The inventions of claims 1 to 5 are neither described in any of the documents cited in the ISR nor obvious to a person skilled in the art.

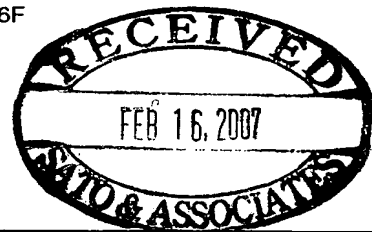
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- ☐ 第II欄 優先権
- ☐ 第III欄 新規性、進歩性又は産業上の利用可能性についての見解の不作成
- ☐ 第IV欄 発明の単一性の欠如
- ☒ 第V欄 PCT規則43の2.1(a)(i)に規定する新規性、進歩性又は産業上の利用可能性についての見解、それを裏付けるための文献及び説明
- ☐ 第VI欄 ある種の引用文献
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2. 文献及び説明

請求の範囲 1-5

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